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30 November 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Monthly Reconnaissance Forecast

REFERENCE : Chairman, JCS Memorandum for the 40
Committee (CM-2299-72), 22 November 1972

NSC REVIEW
COMPLETED.

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph 3.

2. Admiral Moorer is requesting in the attached memorandum that "routine" reconnaissance missions be permitted to continue at the beginning of a month even though 40 Committee has not approved the monthly JRC schedule. While it is not spelled out, it appears the Chairman is talking about peripheral airborne missions. He does lay down certain constraints which would prohibit [redacted] or other high-risk operations without specific 40 Committee approval.

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3. We note that late approval has been the exception rather than the rule, and we feel the Joint Reconnaissance Center could solve much of its own problem by getting the monthly schedule to the reviewing agencies a day or two earlier. Nevertheless, we have no real objection to the Chairman's proposal providing the ground rules are followed as described. Therefore, I recommend you approve.



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EDWARD W. PROCTOR

Deputy Director for Intelligence

Attachment:

CM-2299-72 dated 22 November 1972



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JCS review(s) completed.

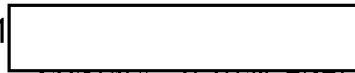
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CONCUR:

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CARL E. DOCKETT

Deputy Director for Science and Technology

30 Nov '72

Date

APPROVE:

Richard Helms

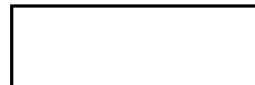
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Director of Central Intelligence

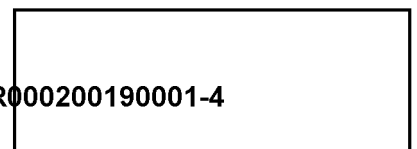
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November 28, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: Brigadier General Raymond B. Furlong
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Deputy Secretary of Defense
Department of Defense

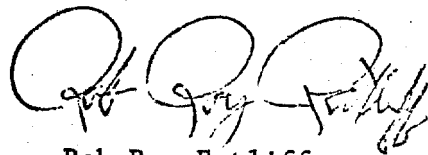
Mr. William McAfee
Deputy Director, INR
Department of State

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Assistant to the Director
Central Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT: Monthly Reconnaissance Forecast

Admiral Moorer has requested that the attached paper be distributed to 40 Committee principals for consideration.

I would appreciate receiving the vote of your principal as soon as possible.



Rob Roy Ratliff

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

CM-2299-72
22 November 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE 40 COMMITTEE

Subject: Monthly Reconnaissance Forecast (U)

1. On occasion, approval of the monthly reconnaissance forecast has not been received until late on the last day of the month or early on the first day of the effective month. Late receipt of approval can have adverse effects on the continuance of routine intelligence collection and occasionally has caused difficulty in coordinating mission activity with various agencies, both US and foreign. Such difficulties could largely be eliminated if there were provision for continuance of routine activities in the reconnaissance program to carry us through the usually brief period when approval remains pending at the start of a new month.
2. Accordingly, I request your concurrence in continuing routine reconnaissance operations at the beginning of the new month even though timely approval of the full forecast has not been received. Continuance of the routine operations would, under these circumstances, be executed within the following constraints:
 - a. Only those tracks included in the proposed forecast will be used.
 - b. New tracks and tracks with military risk or political sensitivity of 2 or higher will not be used.
 - c. Prior to sortie execution telephonic coordination will be accomplished with the Secretary of the Special Committee to insure that the sorties in question are not presently under consideration for modification or disapproval.

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3. Proper control will be maintained to insure that only essential missions are executed and that they are noncontroversial missions routinely flown each month.



T. H. MOORER
Chairman
Joint Chiefs of Staff

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